

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LANSING



February 10, 2006

TO:

Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents, Chief Executive Officers of Public School Academies, Institutions of Higher Education, and

Michigan Education Organizations

FROM:

Mike Flanagan

SUBJECT:

Announcement of Public Hearings and Period of Public Comment

The Department of Education, Office of Professional Preparation Services will conduct public hearings to receive public comments on the following proposed administrative rules:

- Teacher Certification Code
- Administrative Hearings for the Suspension and Revocation of Michigan Teaching Certificates
- Certification and Licensure of School Counselors
- School Psychologist Certificate

Public hearings will be held on the proposed rules at the following sites:

Wednesday, March 6, 2006

3:00 - 6:00 p.m. Macomb ISD 44001 Garfield Road Clinton Twp., MI 48038

Tuesday, March 14, 2006

3:00 - 6:00 p.m. Bay-Arenac ISD 4228 Two Mile Road Bay City, MI 48706

Thursday, March 23, 2006

3:00 - 6:00 p.m. Lansing Holiday Inn-West 7501 West Saginaw Highway Lansing, MI 48917

Wednesday, April 5, 2006

9:00 a.m. – 12 noon Traverse Bay Area ISD 1101 Red Drive Traverse City, MI 49696 Thursday, March 9, 2006

3:00 - 6:00 p.m. Wayne RESA 33500 Van Born Road Wayne, MI 48184

Wednesday, March 15, 2006

3:00 - 6:00 p.m. Kent ISD/Career-Technical Center 2930 Knapp, SE Grand Rapids, MI 49525

Tuesday, March 28, 2006

9:00 a.m. - Noon Marquette-Alger ISD 321 East Ohio Street Marquette, MI 49855

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The proposed rules are accessible at the Department of Education, at each intermediate school district, and on the Internet at: www.michigan.gov/teachercert. Click on "Current Updates."

Oral or written comments may be presented in person at the hearing or submitted in writing by mail, email, or facsimile no later than **5:00 p.m. April 5, 2006**. All comments will be reviewed and considered in the final version of the rules. Comments may be submitted to the following:

Public Comment
Office of Professional Preparation Services
Michigan Department of Education
P. O. Box 30008
Lansing, MI 48909

Email: oppspubliccomment@michigan.gov

Fax: 517-373-0542

If special accommodations are needed to participate in the public hearings, contact Ms. Denise Dickenson at 517-335-0588 or e-mail at <u>dickensond@michigan.gov</u> by February 24, 2006.